#### A message from Mrs Lorne

#### Well done everyone- 2023/2024 another great school year under our belts!

As we enjoy the last week of fun activities we say goodbye to some members of staff-

- Mrs. Breame (Lead TA and Library) is RETIRING
- Mrs. McDowell (TA) is RETIRING
- Ms. King (Year 3 teacher) is moving to another school for another school experience.
- Ms. Brown (SEN TA) is the children she supports are leaving.
- Mr. Heley (Music TA) is moving to a complex needs school to further his experience.
- Ms. El (TA) is off on an adventure!

We send heartfelt thanks from everyone past and present and wish them all the very best in the next chapters of their lives. A particularly BIG THANKS goes to **Mrs. Breame** and **Mrs. McDowall** who have been at the school for OVER HALF A CENTURY BETWEEN THEM so they've given a huge part of their lives in helping us all and DEFINITELY deserve time in retirement to put themselves first! We'll miss you all and please stay in touch!

#### WELCOME TO-

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- Mr. Mitchell-Wilson Temporary Caretaker
- Ms. Watson Music TA
- Ms. Watkins Year 4 teacher
- Mr. Trevor Year 3 teacher
- Ms. Norton SEN TA

#### We are delighted that you're joining our talented staff team!

A sad farewell to our amazing Year 6's who have thrived during their time with us and who we know have worked hard, learnt lots and developed into Catton Grove stars ready for their next stage at High School. Be kind and do your best - the sky's the limit! Please come back and see us as we are all so proud of you! And as Year 6 leave, new pupils join in Reception to start their journey together with us. A journey full of exciting lessons, exciting experiences and people who are here to support you all, for each step of the way! Thank you, staff, pupils and families, for all your fantastic efforts that make being at Catton Grove a very special place with lots of fantastic memories to be made.

#### Proud to be a Catton Grover!

Have a safe, fun and relaxing summer holiday everyone and see you in September!





## ClassDojo - Let's Communicate!!

ClassDojo is the perfect way to communicate with you and for you to communicate with us! It is a good way to keep in touch with us and for us to pass on messages to you. Please ask your child's class teacher if you are experiencing any difficulties accessing the site. Also, check out our school website for lots of extra detailed information. The office staff are unable to pass phone calls onto Teachers during the school day; when they are teaching. So, this is a brilliant way to contact them for a quicker response.

#### **CAYTHORPE COURT - YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP**

At the end of June, 60 Year 6 pupils went on a camping trip to Caythorpe Court in Lincolnshire and had a wonderful time.

It was a lovely experience for all, they tried all the activities – as did the staff. A link was sent to parents via email to look at the photographs of the weekend. <u>Many Thanks</u> to the staff who gave up their weekend to make this happen–Mr Latta, Mr Grimadell, Miss Baker, Mrs Gately, Miss Bryan, Miss Caldwell and Miss Pickess. <u>Look out for information regarding next academic years residential trips.</u>

<u>'OLIVER' YEAR 6 PRODUCTION-</u> The legendary Year 6 production this year is in full flow, with three performances for the public! Thanks to Mr Bensley, Mrs Mazzei, Mr Greenall, Mr Grimadell and all the Year 6 staff who have gone above and beyond, yet again, to work with the children to make this show the highest quality experience from start to finish with every child having the opportunity to shine whether a big part or small- awesome! 10/10!

LORD MAYOR'S PROCESSION- WOW! Thank you in particular to Mrs Marrison, Mrs Mazzei and Mrs Smith for being so creative with our theme of 'Carnival' and working with all the staff and parents who gave up their time to learn the dance moves for our procession. We looked amazing, sounded amazing and all had so much fun! So much so we got second prize! Yay! Who knows, this may be our new future uniform if we ever change it!!!!



#### Help for you, with Residential Trips & School Uniform

If your household has a low income, (for example, you may be receiving benefits or on low wages), you may be eligible for a grant which could cover most of the cost of residential trips from Anguish's Educational Foundation. Contact them on <code>01603-621023</code> or e-mail: <code>info@norwichcharitabletrusts.org.uk</code> as soon as possible. Do not delay! Late applications may not be processed in time.

To be sure that the grant application is processed in time parents should return their completed applications at least **6 weeks prior to the trips**.



#### Cost of living crisis - 'WOW' Looking Good! Bargain!

To help with the cost of living crisis and to continue to be proud to wear the school logo as part of Team Catton Grove, we've come up with a cheaper alternative to the prices from our uniform suppliers. As supermarkets sell school uniform at a much cheaper price than we are able to, we decided to design and purchase this 'Iron on' school logo badge. These can be purchased from the office for £1.00 and can be ironed onto Navy cardigans/sweatshirts and hoodies for school, which you can then buy from anywhere suitable.

#### **Headlice**

Head lice are a very common problem in families and it is NOT a sign of un-cleanliness or poor hygiene. They can be a problem for children of all ages and from all backgrounds, no matter how often they do—or don't—wash their hair.

Lice aren't dangerous and they don't spread disease, but they ARE contagious and can be downright annoying. Their bites may cause a child's scalp to become itchy and persistent scratching may lead to skin irritation. Always check your children's hair when washing it and use conditioner to help keep them at bay!! We operate a 'Once a week, take a peek' policy. Teachers and Teaching assistants look out for signs of head lice and if found; they will ask the office to inform you; and we will expect you to treat accordingly.



**MENU** - Paper copies of the school menu can be found in the foyer near the main office as well as on the school website and Classdojo. The food standards are very high and cooked fresh on site by Norse's catering staff in school. Mrs Lorne has again negotiated a good price for meals to stay in budget of £1.60 daily with Norse. Just to remind parents/carers who pay for their children's meals, to do so in advance. If lunch accounts are overdrawn we cannot allow meals to be ordered. Cash can be paid via the main office.

We encourage you to look on Norse's website for tips, information and recipes: www.norsecatering.co.uk

#### CHILDREN ABSENT FROM SCHOOL

Please contact the school on: 01603-426728 to report your child/ren's absence.

Either speak to a member of the school office, leave a message on the absence line or email:

admin@cattongrove.norfolk.sch.uk or office@cattongrove.norfolk.sch.uk

When leaving a message or emailing please give your:

\*Child's name \*Class \*Reason for Absence.

- If you do not inform the school of your child's absence, we will contact you on their first day of their absence to clarify why they are not in school.
- IMPORTANT- Please Inform us of any changes in address, contact details and medical conditions that arise for your children in order for us to take the best of care of them whilst they are at school, or if we need to contact you in an emergency. Please also ensure we have at least 3 family or friend contact details for your children.

School Website - http://cattongrove.norfolk.sch.uk

# **Before & After School provision**

#### **Breakfast club**

- Starts from 7:30am
- △ Food provided from 7:30am to 8:00am
- a 8:00am to 8:45am supervised play with staff in the Sports Hall
- Suitable for pupils in Reception to Year 6
- △ £1.50 per session, per child payment to be made in advance by bank transfer

#### Grover's

- ✓ Starts from 3:30pm
- ✓ Healthy snacks and drinks provided
- ✓ Suitable for pupils in Reception to Year 6
- ✓ Runs from Monday to Thursday
- ✓ 3.30pm to 4:15pm cost £3.00 per child/per session
- ✓ 3:30pm to 5:00pm cost £6.00 per child/per session
- ✓ Payment to be made in advance by bank transfer

For more information please speak to the office staff or pick up a form



#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Miss Miller is currently working on provision for after school clubs in September. Look out for messages on ClassDojo early September and how to book a place for your child/ren; when after school clubs are advertised.



# **Important Information:**



#### **Labelling & Lost Property**

Please ensure you label/write your children's names on their uniform, coats, bottles, shoes etc. As you will know from ClassDojo, Miss Miller will be putting all **lost property** outside Foundation stage in the afternoons next week. Please come and check to see if you can find any items that your child may have lost recently.

We cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to personal property.



## **School Photographs**

Whole school individual and sibling photographs will be taken on

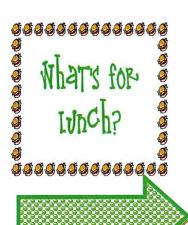
## **MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER**

Please ensure your child comes to school on the day in school uniform, with big smiles, so that you can have the best school photo you could hope for!



# RECEPTION & YEAR 6 PUPILS – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September HEIGHT & WEIGHT

Letters will be sent home via your child for the NHS National Child Measurement Programme along with Hearing and Weight screening which will take place during the school day. When you receive forms follow the instructions to accept or decline online.



#### WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER - 1st Day of Term

### **MAIN MENU**

Breaded Chicken Goujons in a Wrap

Plant Vegetable Balls in a wrap (v)
Served with Potato Wedges & a choice of dip, peas & sweetcorn

Chocolate mousse

#### **ALLERGEN AWARE MENU**

Plant vegetable Balls in a homemade roll Served with Potato Wedges & a choice of dip, peas & sweetcorn

Homemade Shortbread